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MEXICAN NATIONAL IMPRISONED FOR 41 MONTHS

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that HECTOR MARTINEZ MARTINEZ, 37, Mexico, was sentenced to 41 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge Larry J. McKinney following his guilty plea to alien reentry following his deportation for an aggravated felony. This case was the result of a investigation by the Kokomo Police Department and Department of Homeland Security.

Following an anonymous tip, the Kokomo Police Department and Department of Homeland Security investigated an allegation that Hector Martinez-Martinez, a deportable alien from Mexico, lived in Kokomo and worked at a local restaurant. Upon contacting Martinez, he admitted his identity and that he had been deported in 1996. Records and his fingerprints confirmed that he had suffered a conviction for two counts of attempted murder

and personally using a firearm in 1990 against two victims. Martinez has lived in California, Tennessee, and Indiana since July 1996. Martinez stated July 1996 was the same month that he was deported and reentered the United States. Attempted murder is an aggravated felony and Martinez is banned for the rest of his life from ever reentering the United States without permission.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, Martinez will be deported following his term of imprisonment.

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